

**A METHOD TO GENERICALLY DESCRIBE AND
MANIPULATE ARBITRARY DATA STRUCTURES**

ABSTRACT

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A method and system for generically describing and manipulating arbitrary data structures. The method comprises the steps of reading resource-specific information from a resource-specifying source (e.g., an XML file); specifying the structure comprising the resources; generating hierarchical control information (for example, a tree reflecting the structure); and enabling an access to a desired resource by calling a resource access performer with a respective reference to the resource.

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